2523 Queen Anne's Lane, NW
Washington, D.C. 20037
April 10, 2000

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
00 APR 14 A9:09

Ms. Sheila Reid-Cross, Chair
Board of Zoning Adjustment
441 4th Street, NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: The George Washington University Campus Plan
Board of Zoning Adjustment Application Number 16553

Dear Ms. Reid-Cross and Members of the Board:

As a resident of Ward 2 and a neighbor of The George Washington University, I am writing to denounce the continued expansion of the University and the above referenced application. The proposed plan is poorly conceived and will continue to undermine and destroy the Foggy Bottom community. The University administration continues to buy up property and remove them from the tax roles (i.e. the Howard Johnson's Premier Hotel) rather than concentrate on education and the maintenance of existing properties.

As outlined, the campus plan seeks to further erode the Foggy Bottom neighborhood. With the addition of the new hospital, more buildings and more signage and University seeks to further tax the infrastructure of an already heavily congested urban area. The plan is outrageous and will be nothing other than detrimental to the neighborhood, the West End and the adjacent downtown area.

Based on my personal experience of living in the Foggy Bottom neighborhood for 10 years, The George Washington University is a rude and unresponsive neighbor that diminishes my quality of life on an almost daily basis. The campus plan will continue to undermine (and possibly destroy) a historic, middle class neighborhood with increased traffic, noise and overcrowding.

For all these reasons, I urge the Board to vote against this application.

Sincerely,

Lisa M. Farrell

BZA
Case No. 16553
Exhibit No. 102

Board of Zoning Adjustment
District of Columbia
CASE NO.16553
EXHIBIT NO.102